



# Burr Ridge Briefs

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## Register and Know Where to Vote on November 2nd

The November 2nd General Election is quickly approaching. Anyone wishing to vote in the November 2nd election must be registered by October 5th. Check your registration status online at [www.dupageelections.com](http://www.dupageelections.com) for DuPage County residents or [www.voterinfo.net](http://www.voterinfo.net) for Cook County residents. If you have changed your name or address you will have to re-register. You can register for the first time or re-register at the Village Hall, Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM. Bring two forms of ID, one showing your name and current address, to Village Clerk Karen Thomas. Absentee voters in both Counties can pick up applications for an absentee ballot at Village Hall as well.

Burr Ridge residents can vote at the following locations:

### PCT Location - DuPage County

35	Village Hall, 7660 County Line Rd.
40	Gower Middle School, 7941 S. Madison
68	Cabin-Rustic Acres, 94th & Garfield
83	Hinsdale Central HS, 55th & Grant
101	Anne M. Jeans School, 16W631 91st St.
116	Tri-State Fire Station, 10S110 Madison
119	Brighton Gardens, 6801 High Grove Blvd.

### PCT Location - Cook County

36	Pleasantdale School, 7450 S. Wolf Rd.
53	Pleasantdale Park Dist., 7425 S. Wolf Rd.
62	Trinity Lutheran Church, 11500 German Church Rd.
81	Harris Bank, 101 Burr Ridge Pkwy
94	King Bruwaert, 6101 County Line Rd.
97	(Formerly PCT 119) Trinity Lutheran Church, 11500 German Church Rd.

## Marriott Hotel and Ciazza Restaurant Now Open



Join us in welcoming the new Chicago Marriott and Convention Center, conveniently located at 1200 Burr Ridge Parkway. Featuring 184 guest rooms, including 48 suites, the hotel is equipped for banquets, weddings, conferences and other events. 11 function rooms providing 10,000 square feet of meeting space, a ballroom that seats up to 900 guests reception style, 550 people banquet style, two executive boardrooms and a hospitable staff are available. Dining is available in the Ciazza Mediterranean Kitchen with Italian, Spanish and French influences.

A private dining room is available for small dinner parties or business luncheons. The hotel's lounge, the Ciazza Pinxtos Bar, offers a casual atmosphere and Mediterranean "tapas" style finger foods. The Village is pleased to welcome this fine establishment to the community.

## ISO Upgrades Village's Insurance Rating

The Insurance Services Office (ISO) has upgraded the Village's building insurance rating from a Class 3 to a Class 2 rating for residential, commercial and industrial properties. Of the 41,766 municipalities rated by ISO, Burr Ridge is one of only 395 ranked in Class 2 or higher. For residents and businesses in Burr Ridge, this means cheaper insurance costs. Safer buildings are less likely to experience damage in the event of a catastrophe or natural hazard and are, therefore, less costly to insure. ISO conducts its rating every five years via its Building Code Effectiveness Grading Scale (BCEGS), an advisory insurance underwriting information and rating tool. Ratings are based on maintenance of building codes and training and experience of inspectors and plan reviewers. This achievement is due to the support from the Village Board, the efforts of Deputy Building Commissioner, Tony Padula and the Tri-State and Pleasantview Fire Protection Districts.

## Public Works in Brief

### Hydrant Flushing Resumes in October

The Water and Sewer Division will be flushing the Village's fire hydrants north of I-55 throughout October. Hydrants south of I-55 were flushed in the Spring. Hydrant flushing is necessary to ensure high water quality and improve water flow throughout the distribution system. This program also enables fire hydrants to be inspected and properly maintained. Residents may experience a short period of water discoloration during flushing. If your water is discolored, we recommend running it for a few minutes until it clears. Every effort will be made to minimize any inconveniences this work may cause. For more information call the Water & Sewer Division at 323-4733 or the Village Hall at 654-8181, option 7.

### Fall Tree Program Orders Being Taken

Orders are being accepted for the 25th Annual Tree Program. Trees purchased through the Suburban Tree Consortium (STC) are offered to residents at a lower price than what nurseries typically charge. This year, tree varieties include the Prairifire Crabapple, Linden, Norway Maple, Locust and White Ash. There is no guarantee that accompanies these trees and mortality within the Consortium has been approximately 1% in recent years. The deadline for ordering is **October 1st, 2004**. The enclosed order form contains information on prices, payment and delivery.

### Meter Replacements Begin in November

Water meters in the Woodview and Burr Ridge Meadows subdivisions will be replaced starting in November, continuing through the winter and spring. Public Works will contact affected home owners with a letter and/or phone call to make an appointment to access indoor meters. Questions? Call Jim Lukas in the Water and Sewer Operations Division of Public Works at 323-4733.

### Brush Chipping to Begin in October

The seventh annual fall residential brush chipping program will begin Monday October 25th, and will continue for two weeks in accordance with the schedule noted below. Branches must NOT be placed in the parkway until three weekends before the chipping program begins for your area. Branches must be in the parkway by NO LATER THAN 7:00 a.m. on the first day of pickup for your area.

**North of 79th St. begins Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**

**South of 79th St. begins Monday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**

Program requirements are as follows:

- Brush chipping at each property will be limited to two hours. There will be a \$50 per hour charge where chipping takes more than 2 hours. A branch pile not exceeding 200 feet long, 12 feet wide and 5 feet high (or 12,000 feet in cubic size) can be chipped in two hours.
- Only branches will be accepted. Branches must not exceed 4 inches in diameter.
- Branches must be stacked neatly on the parkway with all stem/butt ends toward the street.
- Branches must not be tied with string, wire, etc. Branches must be free of wire, staples, nails or metal of any kind.
- No branches removed by contractors will be accepted. The program is intended to assist residents who perform their own work.
- The Village has discontinued its program of delivering free truckloads of chips. Small quantities of the wood chips can be picked up at the Public Works Facility at 451 Commerce Street. Please bring your own containers.

## Police Briefs

### Beware of Phone Solicitors:

A few simple questions can ensure that you know where your funds are going when you are contacted by telephone solicitors. Ask the exact name and address of the organization and the name of the phone solicitor. Ask if the caller is a paid telephone solicitor and what percentage of a donation benefits the organization. If the solicitor indicates that donations will benefit the local police or fire department, ask what their connection is to the Village of Burr Ridge or the Fire District that serves you.

### School Zone Safety Reminder:

With school back in session, motorists are reminded that school zone speed limits are strictly enforced within the Village. When busses are loading or unloading passengers, motorists must remain stopped in both directions until the stop sign and extended arm are returned.

### Roadside Safety Checkpoint:

The Police Department recently conducted a roadside safety checkpoint at Route 83 and Honeysuckle. Its purpose is to promote the safety and well-being of the motoring public and provide a deterrent to those who violate Illinois Vehicle Code Statutes of Village Ordinances.

Forty sworn Officers from various communities and DuPage County participated in the checkpoint. During the four hours the site was open, 546 vehicles were checked. 21 citations were issued for various Illinois Vehicle Code violations, 27 warning tickets were issued for various Equipment Violations, and 14 arrests were made for Driving Under the Influence (DUI), narcotics, drivers license revoked or suspended and other criminal warrants.

## News in Brief

### Veterans Memorial Fundraiser

Are you interested in finding out how much that old vase is worth? How about those baseball cards you collected as a kid or that painting in the dining room? Bring them to an "Antiques Road Show-style" Appraisal Event and find out! MIR Appraisal Services is hosting the event on Saturday, October 2nd, from 10 AM to 4 PM at their facility (7930 S. Madison St.). A donation of \$10 for evaluation of one item is requested, limit three items per guest. All proceeds from the event will benefit the Veterans Memorial. Questions? Call Corporal Tim Vaclav at 323-8181, ext. 309, or MIR Appraisal Services, Inc. at (312) 814-8510.

### Seat Walls Now Permitted



*Seat walls, such as the one pictured above, are allowed with certain restrictions.*

A recent amendment to the Village's Zoning Ordinance allows seat walls to be constructed under certain conditions. The walls must be at the perimeter of a driveway or patio in the side and/or rear yard of the property, and the wall must not exceed two feet in height. Permits are not required.

### EQC Sponsors Annual Essay Contest

The Environmental Quality Commission is hosting its annual Essay Contest for students in 3rd to 12th grades. Students can visit [www.burr-ridge.gov](http://www.burr-ridge.gov) for more information on topics and entry rules. Entries must be submitted by **February 14th, 2005** to the Environmental Quality Commission/Essay Contest at the Burr Ridge Village Hall, 7660 South County Line Road. Winners will be announced and recognized in a special ceremony this spring. For more information call Lisa Scheiner at 654-8181, ext. 105.

### Village Web Site Updated

Have you visited the Village's web site recently? Village staff has been working diligently to make the site more navigable and user friendly. You can now download permit applications and other forms from our "Forms" page, access our most Frequently Asked Questions, or use the Site Index for quick links to a variety of topics. Do you have ideas for further improvement of the web site? Call Lisa Scheiner, Assistant to the Administrator, at (630) 654-8181, ext. 105 or email her at [lscheiner@burr-ridge.gov](mailto:lscheiner@burr-ridge.gov).

### Register for Subsidized Taxi Program

Residents who are at least 60 years old or have a permanent disability can utilize the subsidized taxi program. Once registered, participants can purchase coupons in advance from the Village for \$2.50 each. Each coupon is worth \$5 of riding time. To learn more about this program or to register, please contact Karen Thomas, Village Clerk, at 654-8181, extension 101.

### Preparations Begin for Winter Weather

With winter weather approaching, residents should be aware of parking regulations during snowfall. Parking on the streets is not permitted after two inches of snowfall during any 24-hour period. The ban continues for 48 hours after the snow event. It is illegal to shovel snow from your driveway into the streets and must instead be shoveled onto grassy areas. Help the plows clear your streets quickly and efficiently by parking cars in your garage and in your driveway. Protect your mailbox so it can withstand the rigors of winter and the force of snow as it comes off the plow blade. The Village is only responsible for damage due to direct plow contact with a mailbox or its post and liability is limited to \$50. There is no liability for mailboxes that do not conform to regulations, such as brick, masonry, stone, or solid concrete mailboxes.

### ProSORT Makes Generous Contribution to Veterans Memorial

A very special thanks to Paul Bailey, president of ProSORT Services in Burr Ridge, the first local business owner to help build the Burr Ridge Veterans Memorial. Mr. Bailey purchased an engraved brick for himself and each of his 24 U.S. veteran employees, honoring their service in the U.S. military. Mr. Bailey, himself a decorated Vietnam veteran, donated \$2,500 for the bricks and an additional \$5,000 toward construction of the memorial. To date, the Veterans Memorial Committee has raised \$35,000. Any business wishing to make a donation or learn more about the memorial brick program can call Corporal Timothy Vaclav at (630) 654-8181, ext. 309.

### Know the Code

**Leash Laws:** It is unlawful to permit your dog or cat to run at large in the Village. In addition, dogs and cats are not permitted in any public park, even if they are leashed.

**Trick or Treating:** Residents are reminded that children may only trick-or-treat on Sunday, October 31st, until 9:00 p.m. Homeowners are encouraged to leave a front light on so children will know that they are welcome to visit. Make sure you instruct your children to follow safety rules when crossing or walking along the edge of streets where there are no sidewalks or street lights.

**Right-of-Way Permits:** are required for any work conducted in the Village's right-of-way (ROW). The ROW is generally defined as the area 16 feet from the back of your curb. Mailbox installation, seal coating and projects with building permits are exempt from the permit requirements. Performance bond requirements are determined by the type of work being done.

VILLAGE OF BURR RIDGE  
7660 S. COUNTY LINE ROAD  
BURR RIDGE, ILLINOIS 60527

ADDRESS SERVICE  
REQUESTED

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Fall Brush Chipping Program

Resident Tree Program Order Form



**PRESORTED  
STANDARD  
US POSTAGE PAID  
HINSDALE, IL  
PERMIT NO. 94**

**DATED MATERIAL  
PLEASE DELIVER PROMPTLY**

## Calendar of Events

### October

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| 4 Plan Commission Mtg. 7:30 PM                                       | 16 Economic Development Cmte. Mtg. 7:30 PM       |
| 5 Police Pension Board Mtg 7:00 PM                                   | 17 Environmental Quality Commission Mtg. 7:30 PM |
| 11 Village Board Mtg. 7:30 PM  | 18 Stormwater Mgmt. Cmte. Mtg. 7:30 PM           |
| 13 Board of Fire & Police Commissioners Mtg. 7:00 PM                 | 22 Village Board Mtg. 7:30 PM                    |
| 18 Plan Commission Mtg. 7:30 PM                                      | 24 Vet. Memorial Cmte. Mtg. 5:30 PM              |
| 25 Village Board Mtg. 7:30 PM<br>Brush Chipping north of 79th Street | 25 Thanksgiving, Village Hall Closed             |
| 27 Vet. Memorial Cmte. Mtg. 5:30 PM                                  | 26 Village Hall Closed                           |

### November

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| 1 Plan Commission Mtg. 7:30 PM<br>Brush Chipping south of 79th Street                    | <u>December</u>   |
| 2 Election Day   | 6 Plan Commission Mtg. 7:30 PM  |
| 8 Village Board Mtg. 7:30 PM   | 8 Board of Fire & Police Commissioners Mtg. 7:00 PM<br>Vet. Memorial Cmte. Mtg. 5:30 PM |
| 10 Board of Fire & Police Commissioners Mtg. 7:00 PM<br>Vet. Memorial Cmte. Mtg. 5:30 PM | 13 Village Board Mtg. 7:30 PM   |
| 11 Pathway Commission Mtg. 7:30 PM   | 20 Plan Commission Mtg. 7:30 PM   |
| 15 Plan Commission Mtg. 7:30 PM  | 22 Vet. Memorial Cmte. Mtg. 5:30 PM   |
|  | 24 Christmas Eve, Village Hall Closed   |
|  | 25 Christmas Day  |
|  | 31 New Years Eve, Village Hall Closed at Noon   |

## No Grace Period for Water Bills

Unlike most bills, the Village does not allow a grace period for water bills. Payments are due on the date printed. Unless the payment is received by the due date, it is considered late regardless of the postmark date. Avoid late penalties and be sure to send your bill seven to ten days prior to its due date.

## No Burning Please!

Open burning for disposal of trash or landscape waste is prohibited by Village Code and BOCA National Fire Prevention Code, which the Village has adopted by reference. Residents cannot enjoy open windows or relaxing outdoors when burning goes on around them. Please be considerate of your neighbors and let your waste hauler dispose of your trash.

Visit us on the web at  
[www.burr-ridge.gov](http://www.burr-ridge.gov)



## MAKE IT A SAFE HALLOWEEN!

The Burr Ridge Police Department recommends hosting a Halloween party for youngsters as a safe alternative to "trick or treat" activities. However, if children go "trick or treating", they should do so before 9:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 31st. Follow the guidelines recommended by the Burr Ridge Police Department for safer "trick or treating." Take just a few moments to read over the guidelines below and you can help prevent an accidental injury.

- ☆ Children's costumes should fit properly and be designed so they can see well. Non-toxic face paints are better than face masks.
- ☆ Light colored costumes and best-reflective strips are safer because they make trick-or-treaters more visible to motorists.
- ☆ Children should "trick or treat" in their own neighborhoods since they may be more familiar with the area and its residents. Young children should always be accompanied by an adult or responsible teen.
- ☆ Children should never eat anything until they get home and their treats have been examined. Throw away any candy that is unwrapped. Cut and wash fruit before eating.
- ☆ Confining "trick or treating" to daylight hours is recommended, but if children plan to be out after dark they should carry a flashlight.
- ☆ Know which friends children are with and what route they are taking.
- ☆ Instruct children to avoid houses that are dark. Go instead to the next well-lit home.
- ☆ Remind children to look for traffic first before crossing the street. If they must walk in the street they should walk on the left side facing cars.
- ☆ Keep costumed children away from pets. Pets may not recognize them and become frightened. A frightened pet can become aggressive.

Homeowners should leave a front light on and place the sign on the back side of this tip sheet in their front window so children will know they are welcome to visit. Motorists are reminded to be alert to youngsters "trick-or-treating." Anyone who observes suspicious treats or activities should call the Burr Ridge Police Department (9-1-1) immediately!





TRICK  
- OR -  
TREATERS  
WELCOME



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# PLACE YOUR ORDER

## 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TREE PROGRAM

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Join the Village reforestation efforts by placing your order for trees for fall planting in your yard. 2004 marks the 25<sup>th</sup> year that the Village of Burr Ridge will celebrate the season by offering residents an opportunity to participate in our reforestation program by purchasing trees for their yards through our annual tree program.

Once again, we are offering trees purchased through the Suburban Tree Consortium (STC). STC is comprised of 30 municipalities in the western suburbs who banded together to contract with Wilson Nurseries of Hampshire, Illinois. Although **there is no guarantee** that accompanies the trees, mortality within the Consortium has been approximately 1% in recent years.

Because the trees will be dormant at the time of delivery, conditions will be ideal for the development of a healthy root system. However, **since this year's deliveries will not be until late October, residents are urged to plant their trees promptly after receiving them to avoid any danger of freezing or drying.** Since the trees are grown locally, they are well-adjusted to soil conditions. Also, since they are balled and burlapped, the trees adapt more readily to their new location and do not require extensive pruning.

Please remember that, under the provisions of the Village's tree regulations, a permit must be obtained if any of the trees purchased through this program are to be planted in the parkway. There is no fee for the permit. However, your application should be approved before you accept delivery.

As shown on the order form, the following trees will be available for purchase. Pictures are available for inspection at the Village Hall:

**Prairifire Crabapple** - 2 inch trunk diameter. Ornamental tree with a rounded form and dark green foliage. Abundant dark pink flowers in the spring. Dark green foliage with attractive fruit that remains on the tree through the fall. Disease resistant. Height to 20 feet.

**Linden** - 2 inch trunk. Dense pyramidal form with smaller dark green leaves that turn yellow in the fall. Fragrant flowers in June. Very tolerant of harsh soil conditions. Height from 50 to 60 feet.

**Norway Maple** - 2 inch trunk. The Norway maple is an attractive large tree with a dense, rounded, symmetrical crown which casts a deep shade. Moderate to vigorous growth rate. It has adapted well to urban conditions. Height to 60 feet.

**Locust** - 2 inch trunk. Rapid growing small leafed shade tree. Pyramidal form with dark green leaves turning to golden yellow in the fall. A very tough tree which is good for harsh sites. Salt tolerant. Height from 35 to 50 feet.

**White Ash** - 2 inch trunk diameter. Medium to rapid growth. Its shape is upright oval when young, becoming upright spreading to rounded with maturity. Fall color varies from purple to yellow. Height from 50 to 80 feet.

**The Deadline for ordering is October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2004.** Trees will be delivered starting October 15<sup>th</sup> during normal business hours. If residents are not home, trees will be placed near the rear of the driveway. We cannot make arrangements for special deliveries at another time. Delivery could be delayed if it rains. If this happens, residents who ordered trees will be notified by telephone and given another delivery date.

**SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ORDER FORM**

# 25th Annual Tree Program Order Form

Village of Burr Ridge

♦ 7660 S. County Line Road ♦

Burr Ridge, Illinois 60527

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to purchase the following trees as part of the Burr Ridge Annual Tree Program:

Variety	No. Ordered	Unit Cost	Total
Prairifire Crabapple		\$109	\$
Linden		\$149	\$
Norway Maple		\$151	\$
Locust		\$149	\$
White Ash		\$150	\$
SUBTOTAL			\$
DELIVERY CHARGE: Add \$10 if subtotal for tree order is less than \$500			\$
GRAND TOTAL			\$

Enclose a check for the Grand Total made payable to the Village of Burr Ridge. The completed order form and payment must be received at the Burr Ridge Village Hall by no later than **Friday, October 1st, 2004**. Orders of less than \$500 must include the \$10 delivery charge or the order will not be valid. Your receipt marked "PAID" will be returned by mail. Remember, trees carry **no** guarantees.

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Complete but **DO NOT DETACH** - Return with order

Variety	No. Ordered
Prairifire Crabapple	
Linden	
Norway Maple	
Locust	
White Ash	

VILLAGE USE ONLY

PRINT NAME & ADDRESS:

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TREES WILL BE DELIVERED TO  
YOUR HOME SHORTLY AFTER  
OCTOBER 15TH DURING  
REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.